

# West Allis Fire Department Emergency Medical Information Sheet

## Why is your medical information important?

If the fire department responds to your home for a medical emergency, it is important to obtain accurate patient information and medical history very quickly. Sometimes this is difficult due to the stress of an emergency situation, or the patient may not be able to communicate because of the medical condition. The lack of medical information can be life threatening. The EMERGENCY MEDICAL INFORMATION SHEET is proposed to help alleviate this situation. By filling in the areas on the attached sheet with appropriate information, you won't have to remember it, and you'll have it all written down. It is important to update the information as well. Having your medical information readily available can help firefighters and paramedics save valuable time and provide you with the highest quality of care.

#### Who would benefit from this?

- Anyone who lives alone
- Anyone that has an extensive medical history or acute medical condition
- Someone that takes numerous medications regularly

### **How to use the EMERGENCY MEDICAL INFORMATION SHEET?**

- Print a copy of the below Emergency Medical Information Sheet
- Have a loved-one or caregiver help you fill out the information sheet to ensure that all information is filled out appropriately
- Place this information sheet in an easily accessible location
- If called upon, tell EMS personnel that you have this information sheet and its location
- Take the information sheet with you to the hospital if you require care in the emergency department
- Remember to update your information anytime your medical condition changes

#### Where should I keep my EMERGENCY MEDICAL INFORMATION SHEET?

- On back of entrance door
- On the front of your refrigerator
- In a plastic bag in your refrigerator
- In your purse, wallet, or travel bag

For additional information, please contact the West Allis Fire Department Emergency Medical Services Bureau at 414 302 8900 or visit our website.

https://www.westalliswi.gov/169/Emergency-Medical-Services-EMS